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Your Excellency

I have received your letter of 2 June expressing your understandable concern about the suffering of the people of Iraq. I was never happy at the extent of the sanctions imposed after the avoidable Gulf War. I now agree with your arguments that the sanctions should be eased because of the appalling effects they are having on the weaker sections of the Iraqi community. I can assure you that these arguments are made in discussions in the House of Commons and that those of us who are worried (as more of us should be about the suffering in Iraq) will maintain our opposition to the present stringency applied in those sanctions.

Warm regards,

Yours ever,

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Mr Andrew Faulds, MP
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Dear Mr Faulds,

I write to you again concerning the suffering of the people of Iraq.

Now that Iraq is fully complying with all the UN resolutions passed concerning the Gulf war, many feel that it is time for the sanctions to be lifted in order to bring some relief to the suffering of the ordinary Iraqi people.

Many innocents - babies, children and old people especially - the most vulnerable of any population, have died as a result of the after effects of the war, the lack of adequate food, medicines and infrastructure to purify water, sanitation, etc. Figures are not easy to come by but all the aid organisations which have visited Iraq post-war testify to tragic suffering throughout the country on a horrendous scale. In the name of humanity,it is surely a crime to allow this situation to continue nearly one and a half years after the cessation of hostilities.

May I appeal to you now to use your influence as a Member of Parliament to lobby for the lifting of sanctions in an effort to alleviate the unnecessary further suffering of the innocent Iraqi people.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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